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For:

Systems and Methods for Attaching a Prosthesis Within a Body Lumen or Hollow Organ

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

- 2. Applicant is
 - [X] a small entity
 - [] other than a small entity.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8(a))

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EXTENSION OF TERM

| NOTE: | "Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) - If a timely and complete response has been filed after Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment a expiration of the shortened statutory period. | | | | | | | | |
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| | a Notice the timely | of Appeal y-filed resp | or filing and/or entry of a conse placed the applica | an additional amendment tion in condition for allowa | ktension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of that after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless vance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the ce of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35). | | | | |
| NOTE: | See 37 CFR 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings. | | | | | | | | |
| 3. | The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply | | | | | | | | |
| | | (complete (a) or (b) as applicable) | | | | | | | |
| | (a) [] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 1.17(a)(1) - (a)(5)) for the total number of months checked below: | | | | | | | | |
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| Fee: \$ If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor. | | | | | | | | | |
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| [] An extension for months has already been secured therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for of extension now requested. | | | | as already been secured and the fee paid d from the total fee due for the total months | | | | | |
| | Extension fee due with this request: \$ | | | | | | | | |
| ٠. | | | | OR | | | | | |
| | (b) | [X] | conditional petition | on is being made to | nsion of term is required. However, this provide for the possibility that applicant has or a petition for extension of time. | | | | |

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest No. Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Rate | Additional Fee (Small Entity) | Additional Fee (Large Entity) |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Total Claims 37 CFR 1.16(i)* | 9 | -47 = | (38) | x \$ 25.00 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(h)** | 2 | -4 = | (2) | x \$ 105.00 | \$0 | \$0 |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dependent claim(s) if any (37 CFR 1.16(j)) | | | | \$185.00 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total Additional Fee | | | | | \$0 | \$0 |

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WARNING: "After final rejection or action (S 1.113) amendments may be made cancelling claims or complying with any requirement of form which has been made." 37 CFR S 1.116(a) (emphasis added).

(complete (c) or (d) as applicable)

[X](c) No additional fee for claims is required.

Total additional fee for claims required \$_ (d) []

FEE PAYMENT

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| | [] | Charge Account No | the sum of \$ | | |

FEE DEFICIENCY

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6. [x] If any overpayment of fees or additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. <u>06-2360</u>.

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